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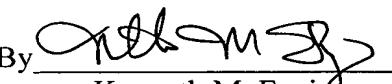
Enclosed are a Form PTO-1449 and copies of references cited in two Japanese Office Actions, dated February 19, 2002 and March 12, 2002, respectively, and other documents for the Examiner's consideration. Each Japanese reference has an English abstract for the Examiner's convenience.

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Consideration of the foregoing and enclosures plus the return of a copy of the herewith Form PTO-1449 with the Examiner's initials in the left column per MPEP 609 along with an early Action on the merits of this application are earnestly solicited.

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